Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Fairfax County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

September 5, 2012 to September 25, 2012

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Certification

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal licensing activity to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

USDOE/Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Dominion Transmission, Inc. (Dominion) proposes to relocate a portion of an existing natural gas pipeline (Line TL-522) along Route 611 in Fairfax County. The project site is within an existing right-of-way (ROW) and is void of trees. The relocation of Line TL-522 is required due to the widening of Route 611. Approximately 1,800 feet of 36-inch pipe will be installed within a temporary 100-foot construction ROW. A permanent 50-foot ROW will be maintained once construction is complete. Construction will result in land disturbance of approximately 5.1 acres which includes the temporary ROW and a staging area. There will be two unavoidable temporary impacts to approximately 0.49 acres of emergent and scrubshrub wetlands on the existing maintained ROW. The proposed activity is licensed under a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Blanket Certificate (Blanket Automatic Provision). Dominion has submitted a Federal Consistency Certification under the Coastal Zone Management Act that finds the proposed activity consistent with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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